

# MI-Access

## The changing face of Michigan's Alternate Assessment



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# Introduction to MI-Access 2016



- MI-Access is Michigan's Alternate Assessment based on alternate achievement standards.
  - “1%” assessment – 1% relates to number of proficient scores that may come from an alternate assessment, not a cap on participation
  - Three levels: Functional Independence (FI); Supported Independence (SI); Participation (P)
  - Based on Essential Elements for English/Language Arts and Mathematics, including the Michigan Range of Complexity for each Essential Element
  - Based on Extended Grade Level Content Expectations and Extended High School Content Expectations for Social Studies (FI only)
  - Based on Extended Benchmarks for Science

# Introduction to MI-Access 2016



- Three levels of Assessment:

- Functional Independence

- ✦ For students who have or function as if they have a mild, but significant, cognitive impairment, and whose instruction is most closely aligned with the “high” range of the Essential Elements Range of Complexity.

- Supported Independence

- ✦ For students who have or function as if they have a moderate cognitive impairment, and whose instruction is most closely aligned with the “medium” range of the Essential Elements Range of Complexity.

- Participation

- ✦ For students who have or function as if they have a severe cognitive impairment, and whose instruction is most closely aligned with the “low” range of the Essential Elements Range of Complexity.

# Assessment Selection Guidance



- Determining which assessment students should take:
- General (M-STEP/MME) Vs. Alternate (MI-Access)
  - Questions to consider
    - ✦ Does the student have or function as if they have a significant cognitive impairment?
    - ✦ Student's instructional program based on:
      - content standards (in a particular or all subjects)
      - or extended content expectations/Essential Elements?
    - ✦ How is the educational program preparing the student for adult living?

Complete Independence	Functional Independence
Supported Independence	Participation

# Assessment Selection Guidance



- Mix and match (FI):
  - Students may take **M-STEP** in grades 3-8 in one content area and **MI-Access** in another content area, per IEP team decision.
  - In grade 11, students may split assessment type by **content area**, as long as the same type of assessment is given for both **ELA** and **Mathematics**
- Students taking Supported Independence and Participation
  - Must take the assessment at one level for all content areas (either SI or P)
  - Future Plans are to allow flexibility on this rule, however the current rules remain in effect for 2016

# Draft Essential Elements with Michigan Range of Complexity



- Target Essential Elements were developed by members of the Dynamic Learning Maps Consortium including Michigan special and general education teachers
- Michigan Range of Complexity outlines which Essential Elements are measured using the state summative assessment and what is measured at each level (FI, SI, P)
- Essential Elements not measured by the state summative assessment are still expected to be taught and assessed at the classroom level

# Draft Michigan Essential Elements with Range of Complexity



- Educator Panels met and made recommendations on:
  - Essential Elements that will be measured on the assessment
  - Skills represented at the different levels of the Range of Complexity
- Panel recommendations were compared to the general assessment resulting in:
  - Draft Essential Elements with Michigan Range of Complexity
  - Draft ready for targeted review and public comment
  - *Are you willing to provide targeted feedback?*



# Ranges of Complexity



## ENGLISH/LANGUAGE ARTS EXAMPLE

Target Essential Element	Michigan Range of Complexity		
	High Range	Medium Range	Low Range
<b>EE.L.4.2a</b> <b>Demonstrate understanding of conventions of standard English.</b> <b>a. Capitalize the first word in a sentence.</b>	EE.L.H.4.2.a The student can identify which word/words should be capitalized in a sentence (first words and proper nouns) and choose the correct ending punctuation (period, question mark, or exclamation point).	EE.L.M.4.2.a The student can identify capital letters and basic punctuation (periods and question marks).	EE.L.L.4.2.a The student can identify a capital letter and point to (or otherwise indicate) the period at the end of a sentence.

# Ranges of Complexity



## MATHEMATICS EXAMPLE

Target Essential Element	Michigan Range of Complexity		
	High Range	Medium Range	Low Range
<b>EE.4.NF.1–2.</b> <b>Identify models of one half (<math>\frac{1}{2}</math>) and one fourth (<math>\frac{1}{4}</math>).</b>	EE.4.NF.H.1-2 The student can recognize that two halves and four fourths equal one whole using a model.	EE.4.NF.M.1-2 The student can recognize that two halves equal one whole using a model.	EE.4.NF.L.1-2 The student can identify one half of a real-world object.

# MI-Access Functional Independence Online: New for 2015 and continuing into 2016



**ONLINE TOOLS TRAINING**  
**STUDENT FACING, ONLINE DELIVERY**  
**TEXT TO SPEECH FOR ALL**  
**SPLIT INTO TWO (2) “PARTS”**  
**USE OF TEST TICKETS**  
**TURNING PAGES IN PASSAGES**

# MI-Access Functional Independence

New for 2016



- Embedded calculator for Mathematics
  - *Basic four function calculator will appear on items for which a calculator may be used.*
    - ✦ *Students still able to use familiar calculator used during instruction*
    - ✦ *Paper-Pencil: designated in the booklet for those using paper-pencil delivery*
- “Listening” items for English/Language Arts
  - Available using test engine voice or read using reader script
- Watch “Spotlight on Student Assessment” for other enhancements as released



## MI-Access Functional Independence

Tips for administration  
in 2016

- Decision about made by IEP team moving forward
- Practice! Use OTT
  - Turning pages
  - Starting point on text to speech
  - Calculator (when available)
  - Review screen/raise hand
  - Color contrasting/Color Chooser/Masking
- Teachers log students into the assessment and submit tests at the end.
- Schedule using the full testing window
  - not subject to the 3 week grade specific calendar used by M-STEP
- Read aloud version available with paper-pencil delivery



## MI-Access Functional Independence

Tips for administration  
in 2016 – continued

- Two parts
  - Begin with the part that works best for your student
    - ✦ Part 2 may be given before part 1
    - ✦ ELA and Social Studies contexts are in part 2
    - ✦ “Expressing Ideas” may be given independently of the rest of ELA section
- Order of content area does not matter
  - Start with content area that works best for your student
- Online may mean increased independence, but not always complete independence – know your student’s needs.



# MI-Access Functional Independence

Tips for administration  
in 2016 – continued

- Expressing Ideas
  - For now, remains a paper-only assessment based on student response options and scoring rubric
  - Students that need to use word processing may continue to do so, following rules for word processing
  - Scribes may be used, following OSA protocol for scribing
  - Response options
    - ✦ Writing
    - ✦ Drawing
    - ✦ Both (does not have to be one or the other)



## MI-Access Functional Independence

Tips for administration  
in 2016 – continued

- Test Tickets
  - Secure materials
  - Log in for students
  - May be used to log student back in if break within a day is longer than 15 minutes
  - Provided by Coordinator or via eDIRECT
    - ✦ Using color paper or providing additional coding will help you group things based on your individual administration needs



# MI-Access Supported Independence and Participation Delivery and Online Answer Portal



## SELECTED RESPONSE TYPES

- Picture cards or instructional materials

## ACTIVITY BASED OBSERVATION TYPES

- Embedded into daily instructional routine

## PRIMARY AND SHADOW ASSESSMENT ADMINISTRATORS

- Both required, scores for both needed for valid score

## ONLINE TRAINING AVAILABLE

- [www.Michigan.gov/mi-access](http://www.Michigan.gov/mi-access)
- Under “Professional Development Opportunities” go to Scoring Rubrics Online Learning Program: Participation and Supported Independence.

# MI-Access Supported Independence and Participation Online Answer Portal



- Use 1-page grid to record responses
  - Consider copying onto color coded pages or prominently marking content area, grade level, form number and level of the assessment (SI or P)
- The Primary Assessment Administrator will log in responses for both Primary and Shadow
  - Collect and have both gridded responses ready before logging into answer portal
- \*New\* Enhancement to eDIRECT should prevent students from being assigned to more than one session for a given content area.

# MI-Access Supported Independence and Participation Online Answer Portal



- Student sessions will appear in eDIRECT. Confirm student information in eDIRECT by searching on student

**MICHIGAN Education**

Welcome John Jaquith!  
Home | Log Off

**Manage Students**

[Instructions](#)

\* Indicates required fields

Administration \* District  School

Last Name  First Name  State Student ID (UIC)

Grade  Demographic  Online Test Status

Accommodation Content Area  Accommodation Type  Accommodation

Content Area  Session  Session Assignment

**Find Students** **Clear**

Students						
<input type="checkbox"/>	Last Name	First Name	State Student ID (UIC)	Date Of Birth	Grade	Action
No data to display						

# MI-Access Supported Independence and Participation Online Answer Portal



- Test ticket ideas:

- Print the tickets on colored paper (one color for P and another color for SI)
- Use a heavy black marker or highlighter to prominently indicate content area, grade level, form number and level of the assessment (SI or P)
- Form Numbers are changing to make them more user friendly
- For example:

Old	New
Supported Independence ELA and Mathematics Booklet Grade 3 form 1:  SIME-e1	Supported Independence ELA and Mathematics Booklet Grade 3 form 1: Different Form numbers by content: SI-ELA-31 SI-Math-31

# MI-Access Supported Independence and Participation Online Answer Portal



- Online answer portal:
  - Watch the tutorial – link found in the General Information: Documents section of eDIRECT.
  - Confirm student, grade level and content area after logging in

## MI-Access Alternate Assessment Spring 2015 Test Ticket

**G 3-5 SI ME-e Math**

Test Session: Peterson SI Math

**Student Name: Brown, Charlie L**

Date of Birth: 1/1/2004

State Student ID (UIC): 9999900120

District Student ID:

Username: CBrown2

Password: NTWNXV34

Accommodation(s):



Welcome to the MI-Access Online Answer Document.

You are about to enter Primary (PAA) and Shadow Administrator (SAA) assessment scores for [Student name]. Before you begin, please ensure that the PAA and SAA Scoring Documents you have in front of you are for the student listed above and for the content area listed below.

Student name:	Charlie L Brown
Content Area:	MATH
Grade:	04
Assessment:	G35SI

By clicking below, you are agreeing to the following statement:

"I verify that the student whose information is being entered into this online answer document matches the PAA and SAA scoring documents completed at the time each item was administered to Charlie L Brown."

# MI-Access Supported Independence and Participation Online Answer Portal



- Designate form number (be sure to write the form number on the one page scoring document)

MI-Access Participation Scoring Document- SPRING 2015

☐ Primary Assessment Administrator ☐ Shadow Assessment Administrator

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_

Optional: print and place the student's bar code label here.  
Note: this document will not be returned with secure materials.

Content Area: English Language Arts Form: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Directions: Use this guide to score the student using the MI-Access rubric for each item of the assessment using a check mark or other mark in the corresponding box for each item. Please be careful that your scores from this sheet are transferred to the correct numbered item on the student online answer document.

MI-Access Supported Independence Online Answer Document - SPRING 2015			
Student name:	Charlie L Brown		
Content Area:	MATH		
Grade:	04		
Form:	Please Select a Form ▼		
	2 - Responds correctly with no assesement administrator	1 - Responds correctly after assessment administrator provides assistance	A - Incorrect Response



# MI-Access Supported Independence and Participation Online Answer Portal

Enter the responses  
from the scoring  
document (from both  
the PAA and SAA to the  
online scoring  
document

**MI-Access Supported Independence Scoring Document- SPRING 2015**

☒ Primary Assessment Administrator      ☐ Shadow Assessment Administrator

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_

Content Area: English Language Arts    Form: \_\_\_\_\_    Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Directions: Use this guide to score the student using the MI-Access rubric for each item of the assessment using a check mark or other mark in the corresponding box for each item. Please be careful that your scores from this sheet are transferred to the correct numbered item on the student online answer document.

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Item	2 – Responds correctly with no assessment administrator assistance	1 – Responds correctly after assessment administrator provides verbal/physical cues
1		
2		

**MI-Access Supported Independence Scoring Document- SPRING 2015**

☐ Primary Assessment Administrator      ☒ Shadow Assessment Administrator

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_

Content Area: English Language Arts    Form: \_\_\_\_\_    Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

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1					
2					

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1	PAA	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
	SAA	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
2	PAA	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
	SAA	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
3	PAA	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
	SAA	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

# Questions?



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# Thank you!